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President's Report

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With World Stamp Expo past, we now look forward to the next major show with Canal Zone Study Group participation. Over the past several years, the Study Group officers have tried to follow a policy of holding meetings of the CZSG at somewhat regular intervals. These meetings fall into three categories. First, at a major international show like World Stamp Expo we try to schedule a meeting of the Board of Directors and a full meeting of the membership. This has worked well, as indicated in the report elsewhere in this issue, with nearly 40 members present to participate in the CZSG meeting in conjunction with a major international show.

Second, we have committed to acting as a participating organization at a major show (one recognized by the APS as a World Series of Philately Show) approximately once every two years. By sponsoring part of the exhibit, we provide the Canal Zone Exhibitor's Medal to show organizers to list in the program and to award to the most deserving Canal Zone exhibit or exhibits. The first such show was BALPEX '90 held near Baltimore, MD in September 1990. The next will be at ARIPEX to be held in Tucson, AZ in January 1993. I hope all members who can attend ARIPEX will do so, to see the extremely high quality exhibits that our members will have on display and to participate in the CZSG meeting that will be held at the show. At this meeting we will also recognize two important anniversaries for our organization: the 40th anniversary of our founding in 1952, and the 25th anniversary of the revival in 1968. Come join us in Tucson for the celebration.

Acting as a sponsoring organization at a major show is an activity we hope to continue. It requires finding a possible show and coordinating with the show organizers. It especially requires a local CZSG member to act as liaison and encourage member participation. We are thankful that Lawson Entwistle is providing-

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New Flat Bed Discovery 1¢ Jefferson 1925 Postal Card UX9

by Charles A. Fricke

[Editor's Note: We have received an article on the above subject from Charles A. Fricke. Mr. Fricke is one of the senior gurus of U.S. postal stationery. His discovery has been reviewed by John H.

Beachboard, Editor of the UPSS *United States Postal Card Catalog* and several of our own postal stationery specialists. Mr. Fricke is also on the Editorial Board of UPSS.]

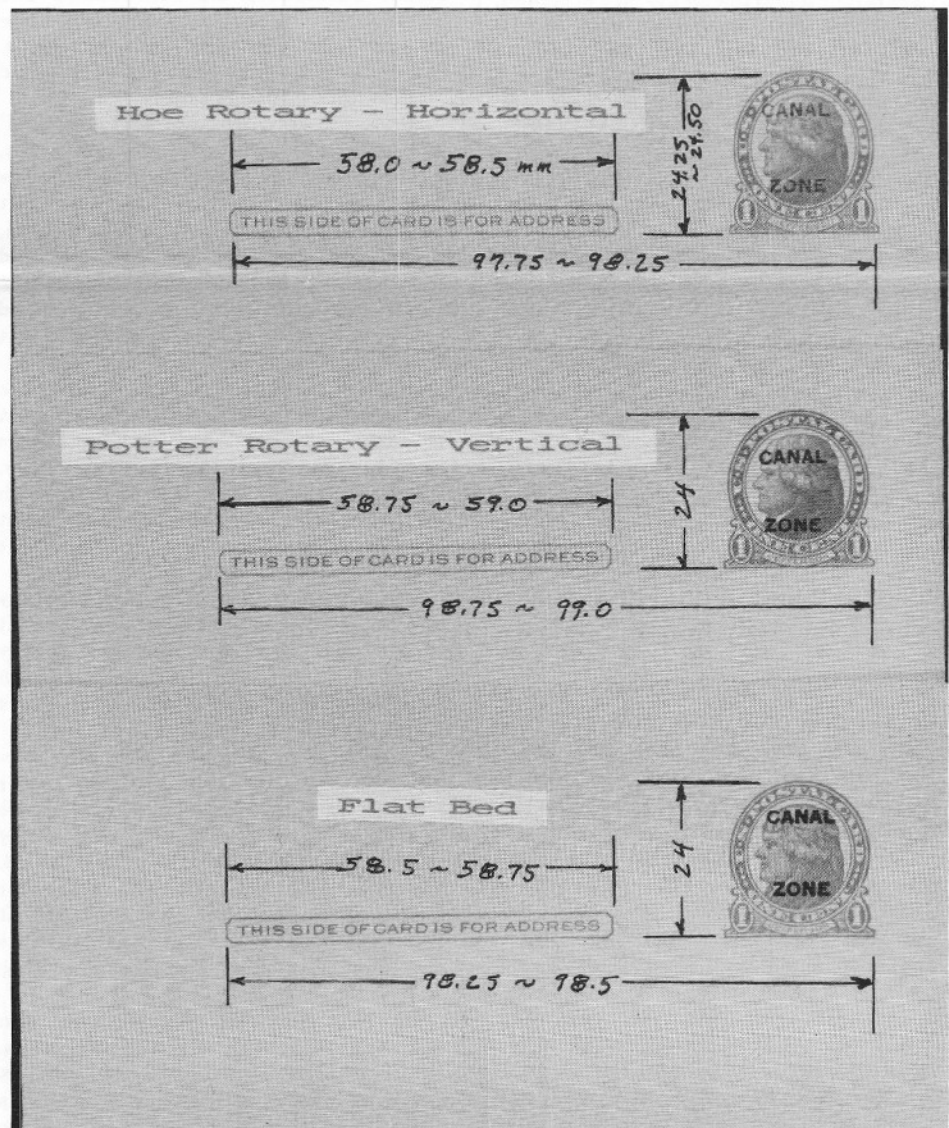


Fig. 1. UX9 Rotary and Flat Bed Printings.

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UX9 Flat Bed

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The basic U.S. postal card upon which CANAL ZONE was overprinted is listed in Scott as UX27 and in the UPSS Catalog *The Postal Stationery of the Canal Zone* as UPSS US37. The overprinted Canal Zone version is Scott Canal Zone UX9, UPSS Canal Zone S16.

Here is the problem: In 1925 when the Canal Zone Postal Service (CZPS) requested 1¢ postal cards, the Government Printing Office was experiencing production problems. Consequently, these 1¢ cards were produced by rotary press, some on a vertically curved (Potter press) and others on a horizontally curved (Hoe press). During the transition of installing a new Potter rotary press, a flat bed press was used. The cards can only be distinguished by their dimensions:

	(All dimensions are in millimeters.)		Hoe		Flat Bed
	Potter Rotary Vertical		Rotary Horizontal		
Height of stamp	24.25-24.5		24.0		24.0
Inscription	58.0-58.5		58.75-59.0		58.5-58.75
Design	97.75-98.25		98.75-99.0		98.25-98.5
UPSS U.S. No.	On 37A		On 37E		On 37C
Proposed UPSS CZ	S16A		S16B		S16C

Figure 1 is a graphic presentation of this table from the actual cards. Copies of all three formats have been confirmed by independent measurements of examples in several collections. Collectors are asked to measure their cards and report relative quantities and earliest dates of usage of each to the Editor. All of the above have been noted 1930 to 1933. There is an obvious error in the ERD in the 1985 UPSS Canal Zone listing.

It is proposed that the three printing formats be listed as major numbers in the catalog similar to the 2¢ flat bed S18 and rotary S19. Unfortunately, the dimensional differences are millimeters and minimal, and a stable draftsman's scale must be used in making the comparisons. More than 60 copies have been examined in developing this premise.

Since the card was not replaced until 1936 (when the overprint was modified), it is probable that most of the existing cards were printed on the Hoe rotary press. But with 850,000 issued between 1925 to 1936, it is quite likely that the earlier dates could have been flat bed printed. Because there is wide variation in card stock shades and spacing (between CANAL and ZONE), it is obvious that there were several printings. With the production problems at the GPO and only small Canal Zone orders, it is understandable that overprint orders were filled from any existing U.S. stocks. In the inventory few were found with Potter vertical rotary dimensions; the rest are split between Hoe horizontal and flat bed.

Listing the two types of printing (rotary and flat bed) is not without precedent. It is noted that the 2¢ postal card had its May 1, 1952 first day with both varieties, S18 flat bed press and S19 rotary press printing.

Therefore, I recommend that consideration be given to including these major listings in any supplement or future edition of UPSS *The Postal Stationery of the Canal Zone*. After all, the UPSS U.S. postal card catalog lists S37C as a major listing of the 1¢ Jefferson postal card. It is a rare and truly collectible item in its own right. The Canal Zone item would be "CZ S16 on U.S. S37C."

One may ask why it has taken more than half a century to discover these differences. It may be attributed to increased interest in postal stationery in general as well as an attitude of more detailed study. In the past few have bothered to look for fractions of millimeters difference.

CZSG Meeting at WESTPEX

The CZSG held its 22nd consecutive meeting at the annual WESTPEX show in San Francisco on May 2, 1992. There were 15 members present and two guests.

It was a very good meeting, with most of the members being previously acquainted with one another. Usual reports were made, and four of the members presented short talks on various subjects. Our next meeting took place at STaMpsHOW '92 in August at the Oakland Convention Center in Oakland, California.

Are there any regional areas such as the East Coast where there could be a CZSG meeting? If someone would be interested in holding one of these affairs why not drop me a line, and I'll try and help you with some of the details. Write to R.H. Salz, 60-27th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94121.

R.H. Salz

President's Report

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ing this valuable service to our organization for ARIPEX. We are looking for someone to organize CZSG participation in a show in their area in 1994 or 1995. We would prefer an area of the country different than covered by BALPEX or ARIPEX.

The third category is that of a regional meeting, for which you frequently see announcements in the lower corners of the first page of the *Philatelist*. These, too, need someone to organize and run the meeting. Such meetings can be occasional or yearly as at WESTPEX and SPRINGPEX. If you are interested in setting up such a meeting, let me know. We will be happy to provide a set of labels of members in your area and to offset reasonable costs for a mailing.

This is a way members can be involved in setting up important activities for our organization. It is fun, does not consume too much time, and is important to our success. At least one or two officers can usually attend the meeting to help out, though the arrangements are something we hope will be handled by the local person.

Auctions

by Gilbert N. Plass

A number of interesting and very rare Canal Zone stamps were sold at auction since my last report. Most of the prices realized came from a single auctioneer, but what a wealth of material was listed in his sales. The rare material sold for excellent prices from slightly below to over catalogue.

In the following listing all items are unused and in very fine condition unless mentioned otherwise. The auction realization is given first, followed by the catalogue price as given in the auction catalogue. Most of the prices given below include the 10% charge to the buyer. There is unfortunately no agreement among auctioneers as to what edition of the Scott Catalogue to use; the various editions used include the 1988, 1990, 1992, and 1993. More auctioneers are using the latest catalogue and giving up their attempt to quote the higher prices from the earlier catalogues issued before Scott changed over to retail prices. It would help the collector if they all did this.

- Scott No. 1, used, \$413 (\$375) Ivy
 2a, used, inv. ovp., some short perfs \$413 (\$500) Ivy
 3, \$385 (\$300) Ivy
 3a, pr., inv. ovp., s.e. at bottom, \$550 (\$1000) Ivy
 13 var., CZSG 13.1, spaced AL, \$187 (\$200) Ivy
 13 var., CZSG 13.7, PANAMA reading down in bl. of 4, \$176 (\$180) Ivy
 13 var., CZSG 13.8, PANAWA (inv. M) in bl. of 4, \$165 (\$155) Ivy
 13, 20 on 1906 reg. cover to Germany, \$440 Ivy
 14 var., CZSG 14.6, used, right PANAMA 5 mm below bar, \$99 (\$110) Ivy
 15, trop. gum (as always), \$1540 (\$2400) Ivy
 19b, antique ZONE, \$143 (\$150) Ivy
 21, bl. of 4, \$132 (\$150) Ivy
 32a, vert. pr., imperf. horiz., \$950 (\$600) Ivy
 33a, dbl. ovp., \$209 (\$250) Ivy
 36a, ovp. inv. on piece, \$286 (\$250) Ivy
 38a, vert. pr., one without ovp., \$1375 (\$1100) Ivy
 38b, booklet pane of 6, \$495 (\$525) Ivy
 39d, ovp. reading down, \$143 (\$150) Ivy
 39e, inv. center, \$550 (\$700) Ivy
 46d, dbl. ovp., one ZONE CANAL, \$1210 (\$900) Ivy
 48, dried og, \$605 (\$550) Ivy
 53b, horiz. pr., one without ovp., \$1650 (\$900) Ivy
 54, \$198 (\$200) Christie's
 55b, horiz. pr., left stamp without ovp., \$1210 (\$650) Ivy
 56a, dbl. ovp., \$495 (\$350) Ivy
 56c, horiz. pr., left stamp without ovp., \$1210 (\$700) Ivy

71c + 71d in pr., CANAL only and ZONE CANAL, \$1760 (\$1200) Ivy

86 + Colombia 30c blue SCADTA on Aug. 25, 1927 cover Cristobal to Colombia, \$110 Christie's

86b, CANAL inv. in pr. with normal, \$770 (\$850) Ivy

86c, inv. ovp., \$385 (\$450) Ivy

86e, ZONE CANAL, \$330 (\$325) Ivy

86g, vert. pr., one stamp with inv. ovp., other without overprint, \$2310 (\$2000) Ivy

91a, ZONE only, \$1045 (\$1000) Ivy

C20, plate bl. of 6, \$413 (\$375) Ivy

CO14a, inv. ovp., \$1265 (\$1200) Ivy

J3, tied on unfranked cover from Barbados \$578 (450) Ivy

J3, \$528 (\$700) Christie's

J4, \$176 (\$250) Christie's

J20a, plate bl. of 6, top three stamps without ovp., bottom three with normal ovp., \$16,500 (\$18,000) Ivy

O8, used (c.t.o. as always), bl. of 4, \$1870 (\$2600) Ivy

U2b, head and ovp. only, used with No. 41, \$1760 (\$1200) Ivy

U2c, frame only, \$1155 (\$1400) Ivy

U2c, frame only on reg. cover with No. 49, \$1760 (\$1200) Ivy

UX6, \$800 (\$1000) Ivy

1930 Pan-American Flight of Graf Zeppelin, Canal Zone to Germany, mailed with Canal Zone stamps to Lakehurst without required U.S. stamps and so \$1.30 U.S. postage due stamps affixed, probably only postage due cover from flight, \$1045 Ivy
 Panama 185-193 var., complete set of 10 stamps all with inverted centers; interesting collateral material as some of these exist with Canal Zone overprint, \$425 Ivy

Addresses of above auctioneers:
 Christie's, 502 Park Ave., New York, NY 10022; Ivy, Shreve, and Mader Auction Galleries, Heritage Plaza, Highland Park Village, Dallas, TX 75205-2788.

A Really Big Show

by John C. Smith

The CZSG meeting at the World Columbian Stamp Expo on May 23, 1992 was well attended with 37 members and one guest. The meeting started out with introductions of the CZSG officers present. They were Dick Bates (President), Dick Larkin (Treasurer), John Smith (Secretary), George Campbell (Director), and David Leeds (Editor and Director). Other notables attending were Dick Salz (Mr. CZSG), Lawson Entwistle (Mr. Postal Markings) and Bob Karrer (Mr. ICC). Members then took turns introducing themselves, stating their home town and collecting interests.

After official business was concluded, CZSG presented Lawson Entwistle with the Albert R. Bew Service Award. Lawson has distinguished himself over many years with his articles in the CZP and in the handbook, *The Postal Markings of the Canal Zone*, as well as running the

business office of the CZSG and maintaining liaison with the post office in Tucson, Arizona.

The first speaker was David Leeds. He presented slides and talked about some of the fabulous SPECIMEN stamps and stationery recently brought to light from the vaults of the American Bank Note Company. They were enough to impress the staunchest collector. Bob Karrer was the second speaker. He shared his thoughts on new projects in the works. He was especially interested in his current effort dealing with Canal Zone First Day Cover Cachets.

At the end of the meeting Dick Larkin displayed some of his rare SPECIMEN booklet panes, something many may never see in person in a lifetime. The two hour meeting was followed by an hour of small groups talking "Canal Zone."

Anyone who did not make this huge stamp show missed out on a lot of scarce Canal Zone material. Many fine stamps and covers were available at low prices, including some hard to find, improperly identified items, such as a C5a first day cover for \$9.00!



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Canal Zone from A to Z

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Lawson P. Entwistle: CZSG Service Medal Recipient

At the World Columbian Stamp Expo held in Chicago in May 1992, the Canal Zone Study Group was pleased to announce Lawson P. Entwistle as the fourth recipient of the Service Medal. This award, officially named the Alfred R. Bew Service Award in honor of the tireless, behind-the-scenes efforts of long-time CZSG Secretary Alfred R. Bew, was first presented in September 1990 to three CZSG members who had made significant contributions to Canal Zone philately and to the Study Group: James T. DeVoss, Gilbert N. Plass, and Richard H. Salz.

Lawson has earned the praise of fellow CZSG members and the philatelic community for his handbook, *The Postal Markings of the Canal Zone* and the supplements that followed it. This clarified and expanded a whole area of collecting of the postal history of the Canal Zone. A new edition of this important reference work has been mailed to each CZSG member, as of June 30, 1992, another indication of the special dedication Lawson has to his projects. He was also author of the *Catalogue of Cristobal Precancels* which has provided collectors with a knowledgeable and handy reference on this subarea of Canal Zone collecting.

As the primary liaison with our printer, Owl Printing, Lawson also makes significant contributions to the functioning of the Study Group from behind the scenes. This job includes responsibility for ensuring that our mailings comply with postal regulations so that we continue to qualify for the second-class mailing permit which greatly facilitates our getting publications to members at low cost. As both a visible and behind-the-scenes force in making the Canal Zone Study Group function effectively, Lawson is a very deserving and respected awardee of the Service Medal.

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No. 12 with Dropped A in PANAMA Rediscovered

by L. P. Entwistle

Detailed listings of varieties on the early Canal Zone stamps start with Geo. L. Toppan's *The Stamps of the Canal Zone*, published in August 1906. Referring to an article by Dr. J. C. Perry in *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (May 12, 1906), he mentions that the dropped third A in the right PANAMA on Scott No. 12 might exist as it is known on the Panama stamps. The variety is also listed in Heydon's *Panama and its Postage Stamps* (ca. 1921).

In the 1908 edition of Bartels' *Check List of Canal Zone Stamps*, the dropped A variety is included under the narrow bar, third Panama printing, Canal Zone Stage II from positions 15 and 20. The variety is not priced.

When H. F. Colman published his *Check List of Canal Zone Stamps*, Edition of 1912, he showed the variety under his number 12g. A single was priced at \$30, a high price for the time (compare Scott No. 15 priced by Colman at \$10).

William Evans wrote his *Canal Zone Stamps* in 1911, and he stated that only three or four copies were known. He repeated this statement in a later booklet published around 1917.

The Robinette price list of 1932-33 does not include this dropped A variety, but he only listed Canal Zone stamps that he could supply.

When the Canal Zone Study Group published the monumental Special Handbook *Canal Zone Stamps* by Plass, Brewster and Salz in 1986, this rare variety had disappeared from the records. The authors wrote, "The early writers report Pos. 15 and 20 also exist with the third A dropped but this variety is not on record today and evidently does not exist."

Earlier this year (1992) I found in my accumulation of Scott No. 12s an o.g. horizontal pair with the right PANAMA 5 mm below the bar. The broken letters in CANAL ZONE definitely establish the positions as numbers 19 and 20, with 20 having bar's end. The third A falls in the dark blue tablet that frames CENTAVOS, so the A is not readily visible. Under magnification, however, the letter is clearly dropped about one-half millimeter. Furthermore, only the right half of the A is printed.

I have shown this pair to one of our experts who confirms that the third A is indeed dropped. Unfortunately, the photo of the pair does not show this clearly.

I have no idea how long I have owned the pair, but it may even have been in my father's collection started in the 1930s.

Anyhow, the dropped A on Scott No. 12 is now back in the records!

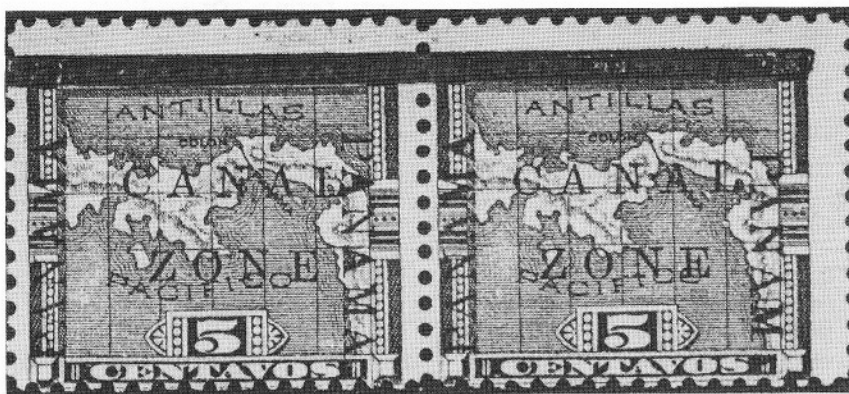


Fig. 1. #12 Dropped A.

Scott 1993, Vol. 1

Reviewed by Gilbert N. Pass

The Scott 1993 Stamp Catalogue, Vol. 1, covers the United States and possessions, United Nations, and the British Commonwealth. The prices are about a half year more recent than those in the Specialized catalogue issued last fall. There are a number of price changes throughout this new Vol. 1. A comparison of some of the changed prices is given in the following table. The price changes of the rarer errors and varieties are all upward (as far as I could determine). Some basic stamps in the lower price categories have had their prices lowered, but this seems to be only an attempt to have these prices reflect the retail selling price in accordance with the new Scott pricing policy. It does not reflect a price decrease in the actual selling prices of the stamps.

Canal Zone		
Scott No.	1992 Cat.	1993 Cat.
3	\$300	\$375
9d	1000	1100
14d	1600	1750
14e	1600	1750
14f	700	750

14g	4500	5000
23a	1500	1600
23d	700	750
23e	1400	1500
24c	300	400
24e	3500	4000
25a	1250	1350
33a	275	300
39a	1000	1500
46a	300	350
46d	1250	1400
52e	850	900
55b	1100	1250
56c	1400	1600
61b	750	900
61d	1750	1900
67	450	500
70-81	459	488
71e	150	200
84-95	462	505
90a	3500	3750
92a	3500	3750
92b	3500	3750
92c	3500	3750
97a	2500	2750
157a	7000	7500
J6	40	45
J17c	3000	3250
J19a	1750	2000
J21a	2500	2750

Winners

by Bradley A. Baker

SARAPEX '92, Sarasota Philatelic Club, January 31-February 2, 1992, Sarasota, Florida, Vermeil to Bradley G. Wilde, "Canal Zone Stamps on Cover, 1904-1924."

FLORIDA WEST COAST STAMP EXPO, Associated Stamp Clubs of Tampa Bay, March 13-15, 1992, Tarpon Springs, Florida, Gold to Bradley G. Wilde, "Canal Zone Postal Markings 1904-1924."

FRESPEX '92, Fresno Philatelic Society, March 14-15, 1992, Fresno, California, Vermeil to Allan M. Harris, "Canal Zone Foreign Air Mail Service 1925-1931."

FILATELIC FIESTA, San Jose Stamp Club, March 21-22, 1992, San Jose, California, Silver and American Air Mail Society Richie Watson award for best airmail exhibit to Allan M. Harris, "Canal

Zone Foreign Air Mail Service 1925-1931."

WESTPEX '92, Association for Western Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc., May 1-3, 1992, San Francisco, California, Gold to Bradley G. Wilde, "Canal Zone Postal Markings 1904-1924."

ROMPEX '92, Rocky Mountain Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc., May 15-17, 1992, Denver, Colorado, Vermeil to Bradley G. Wilde, "The Canal Zone Registry System 1904-1924."

WORLD COLUMBIAN STAMP EXPO '92, American Philatelic Society, May 22-31, 1992, Rosemont, Illinois, Vermeil to Allan M. Harris, "Canal Zone Foreign Air Mail Service 1925-1931."

TEXPEX '92, Mid-Cities Stamp Club, June 26-28, 1992, Arlington, Texas, Silver to Paul F. Ammons, "Canal Zone Second (First Definitive) Air Mail Issue Including Its Use as Official Air Mail Stamps."

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Non-Listed First Day Covers

by John C. Smith

The Scott Specialized Catalog is inconsistent in its listing of first day covers. First day covers prior to the United States overprints of 1924 are rare. Indeed, many of the Panama overprinted issues are only known as "earliest date reported." An earliest usage cover has no known first day of issue for that particular stamp or stationery item. No priced listing of these should be expected although a listing of these dates is very useful to the collector.

A number of the U.S. overprints, however, do come to market, and some with a degree of regularity. These, as well as later issues, should have complete and coherent listings.

Generally, there are no cachets for the older issues. But beginning in 1928 some new issues coincided with special anniversaries, so the Postal Service supplied cachets. These cachets are to be expected; however, the prices of others are meant to reflect covers without official cachets. Privately supplied cachets exist on many of the later issues and add a premium.

Prices have been determined from auction realizations and dealer quotations and listings. There is a wide spread of prices for some items. These suggested values are an average determined from the above sources, but actual selling prices can vary based on condition and the markings of certain post offices.

Over 85 first day covers have been documented with the suggested prices shown in the attached table. Copies of the documentation and photocopies of most of the covers have been supplied to Scott with the recommendation that the catalog be corrected to include these missing items. The catalog should at least be consistent in its listing and pricing. In general, catalog prices for stamps on covers as well as first day covers are low, some of them completely out of touch with reality. These suggested values conform to the level of the Scott's present pricing. Interest and supply indicate that practically all Scott's cover prices are much too low. All cover prices should be raised to reflect actual market.

Non-Listed Canal Zone First Day Covers

(U) = Uncommon

(D) = Difficult

* = Known with cachet,
others may exist.

(1) = First day 4/15/25, also known 4/13/25

(2) = First day 7/6/26, also known 7/4/26

(3) = Complete set on 1 or few covers

(4) = With full booklet pane and tab

(5) = Known Pedro Miguel 5/11/41;
official date 4/21/41.

Scott No.	Price	
70 (1)	\$75	(U)
Blk of 4		
71	90	(D)

72 (1)	60	(U)	UC13	3.50	(U)
73	90	(D)	UC14	1.50 *	
75	400	(D)	UC15	1.25 *	
76	500	(D)	UC16	1.50 *	
91	500	(D)			
92	500	(D)	UX11	3.50 *	(U)
96 (2)	40	(U)	UX12	1.25	
120-135 (3)	80	(U)	UX13	3.50 *	(U)
142-145 (3)	10	(U)	UX14	3.50 *	(U)
			UX15	1.00 *	
C15-C20 (3)	60	(U)	UX16	1.00	
C21	1.50 *	(U)	UX17	1.00 *	
C22	1.00 *	(U)	UX18	.75	
C23	2.00 *	(U)	UX19	.75 *	
C24	3.50 *	(U)	UX20	.75 *	
C25	4.00 *	(U)	UX21	.75	
C26	5.00 *	(U)			
C21-C26 (3)	30.00 *	(U)	UXC1	3.50	(U)
C27-C31 (3)	30.00 *	(U)	UXC2	5.00 *	(U)
C36	1.50 *		UXC3	6.00	(D)
C37	1.00 *		UXC4	6.00	(D)
C38	1.00 *		UXC5	6.00	(D)
C39	2.00 *				
C40	3.00 *				
C41	4.00 *				
C36-C41 (3)	10.00 *	(U)			
C42	2.00 *				
C43	.75 *				
C44	1.00 *				
C45	1.25 *				
C46	1.25 *				
C47	2.50 *				
C42-C47	6.00 *				
C48	.75 *				
C48, C52 (3)	5.00 *				
C48a (4)	3.00 *				
C49	.75 *				
C49a (4)	3.00 *				
C50a (4)	3.00 *				
C51	2.50 *	(U)			
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J25	25.00	(D)			
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Book Reviews

by David L. Farnsworth

Panama: A Country Study, 4th ed., edited by Sandra W. Meditz and Dennis M. Hanratty (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1989) (DA Pam 550-46), 337 pages, \$17.00.

This is a volume in a series of approximately 100 handbooks on countries. It is designed for use by U.S. government employees, both civilian and military, to give them a background on Panama.

Authors are listed for each chapter. The book reads as if someone wrote it, which is not always true of government publications. The historical material is good and faces the Noriega problem honestly. Economic, governmental, education, and societal parameters are discussed. This volume is based on material which was current in December 1987, making this a pre-invasion book.

There is a helpful glossary which is particularly useful for untangling the alphabet soup of initials for organizations, movements, and so forth.

Panama Canal Review Alphabetical Index by Jeanne Flynn Stough (San Antonio, Texas: LCS Press, P.O. Box 790239, San Antonio, TX 78279, 1992) (ISBN 0-9632932-0-6), 56 pages, paperbound, \$15.00 post-paid.

The *Panama Canal Review* was a magazine published by the Panama Canal Commission from 1950 through 1981. There were 207 issues which contained articles about the canal, life in the Zone, and occasionally about philatelic topics. Many articles were accompanied by outstanding photos. The *Review* is an excellent source of information.

This book indexes by topic articles in the *Panama Canal Review*, giving the month and year of the article. It contains numerous black and white photos and drawings as well. The Index is the same size as the *Review* and uses some of its graphics. In a sense the *Index* is the 208th whole number of the *Review*.

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